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Rogers lowers iPhone costs

Exclusive carrier bows to customer pressure ahead of tomorrow's launch

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Tomorrow morning someone in Halifax will be the first person in Canada to own the iPhone.

But before even being released, the long-awaited phone that can do everything from play music to surf the Internet has already caused a huge controversy that led to Rogers backing down to customers.

When Rogers, the exclusive carrier of the iPhone in Canada, announced its price plans in late June there was an uproar. For \$60 per month on a three-year-plan you get 150 daytime minutes, unlimited evenings and weekends, and up to 400 MB of data.

Thousands of people saw the plan as a ripoff since for about the same cost in the United States you could get unlimited data. Over 57,000 people denounced Rogers' prices on

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Silas Rogers, Mac employee

a petition at ruinediphone.com.

"We've been getting a lot of people complaining about the fact

that the plans are going to be as expensive as they are," said the ironically named Silas Rogers, who works at the Halifax Mac store.

Rogers said he himself would love an iPhone but the plan is too expensive for him. But he said even the people who call and complain about prices say they're likely still going to buy one.

"People want the product because it is a cool product. It's fun to use. It looks cool. And Apple stuff

is some of the trendiest things you can have these days," he said.

And Rogers itself has recently shown signs appeasing consumers. They will now offer a promotional sale of six gigs of data monthly — enough for 150,000 e-mails — for \$30 to those who sign up before Sept. 1.

They're also opening the Mumford Road Rogers store at 8 a.m. tomorrow to celebrate the launch with prizes and free breakfast.

Force probes its own members

CONFRONTATION Halifax police are starting their own internal investigation into complaints of inappropriate conduct by members of their force that have been reported by local media.

RCMP began an investigation after Nathaniel Fells, 19, and William Drummond, 20, said a group of men hurled racial slurs at them during a confrontation outside Club 98 in downtown Digby.

The men they're accusing of the slurs and misconduct turned out to be off-duty police officers, some from the Halifax Regional Police.

Const. Jeff Carr, spokesman for the force, said they will try to determine whether there was any inappropriate conduct on the part of their members.

New Glasgow police have also launched an internal investigation.

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People paying big for unlimited talk time

Plans no longer available going for hundreds

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With phone plans getting more expensive, having a cheap rate can be like sitting on a gold mine.

People desperate for cheap cellphone rates are willing to pay hundreds of dollars for certain deals. In Halifax, the holy grail of cellphone plans is Talk Halifax.

Released as a temporary promotion by Telus a few years back, Talk Halifax offers unlimited calls any time for only \$30. For people who need to be on their phone constantly, such a plan could mean the end of cellphone bills in the hundreds of dollars.

They haven't been available for years, but existing plans can be renewed indefinitely and "grandfathered" to another person.

"On average I've seen them go for about \$500 to \$700," said James Kennedy, who currently lists one of the plans on Kijiji. Kennedy bought several of the plans for his small business, but



James Kennedy sees people paying hundreds of dollars for unlimited minutes of cellphone time in Halifax.

has been selling them off as they switch to using more e-mail on their phones.

"There'd have to be at least a thousand of them in Halifax," said Kennedy. "They're a lot easier

to find now with things like Kijiji."

Other rare promotions that can be grandfathered — such as unlimited data for \$15 — are also popular finds.

"They're a lot easier to find now with things like Kijiji."

James Kennedy

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Residents meet over Chebucto

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Growing skills in the West

Five Nova Scotia 4-H members are heading to Alberta, Manitoba and B.C. to learn more about agriculture. Allyson Cole of Middle Musquodoboit is the only HRM resident to go. **METRO HALIFAX**

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Soaking up your valuables

Here's an obvious tip: Don't leave valuables in your car when you're at the beach. Thieves go shopping for goodies in the parking lot while you're soaking up the sun, says RCMP spokesman Cpl. Joe Taplin. They also like to steal stuff left in cars overnight, so don't do that either. **METRO HALIFAX**

Avid texters upset over incoming message fees

Bell, Telus called on by industry minister to explain 15-cent charge

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Unless your wireless provider is Rogers, be prepared to start seeing more text-messaging charges on your cellphone bill.

Starting in August, both Bell Mobility and Telus Mobility will start charging 15 cents for every incoming text message — unless you're already set up with a text-messaging plan.

Rogers Wireless, however, will not follow suit.

"It's all unlimited and free," said Elizabeth Hamilton with Rogers Wireless.

Starting Aug. 8, Bell will charge customers without a texting plan for each incoming text and the same goes for Telus starting Aug. 24.

Industry Minister Jim Prentice yesterday asked Bell and Telus to meet with him Aug. 8 to explain the price change.

Alyson Queen, spokeswoman for Bell Mobility in Atlantic Canada, said the move is to follow the direction "major North American wireless carriers" are taking.

"It's an industry trend," she said.

Erin Dorrington, 19, of Dartmouth, said she can't believe the two wireless carriers are trying to grab more



Erin Dorrington, left, of Dartmouth text messages a friend on Spring Garden Road yesterday afternoon. She says wireless providers shouldn't be charging people for incoming text messages.

money from customers.

"They shouldn't do that," she said while texting a friend on Spring Garden Road. "I would call and complain."

Dorrington has a text-messaging plan already in place with Telus so she won't have to pay 15 cents for each incoming message

— she already pays \$15 a month for the feature.

"I text message every second," she said.

Queen said the new charges will act as a reminder for customers to review their cellphone packages and their use of text messaging.

Both Bell and Telus repre-

Packages

Bell Mobility offers text-messaging packages for \$5, \$10 and \$15 a month. Telus offers packages for \$5 and \$15 a month.

sentatives say that customers will not be charged

for unsolicited incoming messages.

Spam, wrong numbers and even texts about service from the companies themselves will not accrue the extra charge.

"You simply need to get in contact with us and we will reverse the charge," she said.

Parade for Pride takes a new step downtown

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Halifax Pride '08 has one more cause for celebration this year; a new parade route in the heart of downtown.

For the first time since it began 20 years ago, the parade will travel up Barrington Street and then turn onto

Spring Garden Road — the same route as the Parade of Lights.

Parade Chair Hugo Dann says the symbolic importance of walking near the legislature, and by the

pride flag flying in Grand Parade and provincial courthouse will have an emotional impact. "They are particularly important to our community because ... that's where our rights have been protected, to be ourselves, free from discrimination," Dann said.

The pride parade, which started with just 75 people, some of whom wore paper bags over their heads,

now draws up to 7,000 participants and 35,000 spectators from throughout the Atlantic region. Dann said it's the fourth largest pride parade in Canada.

"It's pretty serious to go stand in front of the whole city and say 'This is who we are and we're very proud of who we are,'" Dann said.

"But it's an intense experience and now, to do it right through the heart of town, will be very powerful for us."

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WHAT: Halifax Pride Parade '08
WHEN: 1:30 p.m., Saturday, July 26 (marshalling begins at noon)

not necessarily add more. Roger Boychuk, with engineering firm SNC Lavalin, said they might see even fewer emissions.

"One of the main ideas here is we don't get a large queue of cars (idling) here," he said. "You may see emissions reduced."

In response to other questions, residents were told the sidewalks will not be moved back into their properties and utility poles will be incorporated into the sidewalks.

JENNIFER TAPLIN/METRO HALIFAX

Chebucto residents air concerns

ROAD WIDENING Chebucto Road residents met with HRM staffers last night.

Joe MacDonell, president of the Chebucto Road Residents' Association, shared some good news with the crowd of about 50 people gathered at the St. James Church: Mayor Peter Kelly is "keen" to meet with them, he said.

Last night's meeting and the future meeting with the mayor are two small victories for the residents who have staged several protests to the widening

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Roger Boychuk, with engineering firm SNC Lavalin project.

Last night residents fired questions at HRM staffers.

"I don't appreciate this being called an intersection widening because I don't live on an intersection," MacDonell said.

He asked if there have been any studies done to

see if emission levels would increase when there are more cars on the road.

Cathy O'Toole said air quality is the province's jurisdiction, but the municipality is working with them. She said a wider road will just change the location of the emissions,



Joe MacDonell, president of the Chebucto Road Residents' Association, points to a map of Chebucto Road as he questions HRM staffers last night.

Put away the cellphone and buckle up while driving, Halifax Regional Police say. The force's integrated traffic unit will be enforcing seatbelt use and not talking on cellphones while driving during the month of July. A first-offence ticket for either is \$164.50.

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Halifax school board balances its budget

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A last-minute provincial program to help cover soaring energy costs has allowed the Halifax regional school board to achieve a balanced budget.

The government recently announced it will fully fund the board's fuel and oil usage according to market prices next year. "Without this commitment, we would be looking at a very different outcome," one-man school board Howard Windsor said as he approved the \$380-million general fund budget and \$19.4-million supplementary budget last night.

The board predicted about a \$2-million shortfall if the province didn't come through.

"With all the challenges we faced and the time de-

"We all wish that there were more resources to address the needs of our schools, however, this budget will keep us on track."

One-man school board Howard Windsor

lays ... we were able to maintain the programs and services that we currently have plus add a little bit in new initiatives," financial services director Richard Morris said.

Some of the items the board prioritized to spend \$1.5 million included hiring 12 additional education program assistants, two learning centre teachers, two community outreach workers, one English as a second language teacher, one Aboriginal student support worker, an operations services manager, a research and data consultant, assessment material and workplace violence training.

The board will also spend \$3.3 million on one-

time expenditures, including deferred maintenance, energy retrofits, information technology upgrades and election costs.

"We all wish that there were more resources to address the needs of our schools, however, this budget will keep us on track," Windsor said.

The board also recently received a provincial one-time deferred maintenance grant of \$750,000 to help offset its \$60-million to \$80-million backlog in repairs and upgrades.

"Obviously, with a board our size, with the number of buildings we have it won't make much of a big dent, but every dollar helps," Morris said.



Saint John MP Paul Zed is shown with Deborah Sullivan at the Saint John cenotaph. Sullivan's son, Lt. Chris Saunders, died in the fire aboard HMCS Chicoutimi in 2004.

Mom says medal ruling is 'ironic'

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If an HMCS Chicoutimi sailor dies from symptoms of the fire in 2004, their families will get a Memorial Cross medal.

But the family of Lt. Chris Saunders, who died in the fire, isn't eligible.

The rules for a Memorial Cross (also called the Silver Cross) were changed in 2006 to incorporate all military personnel who died in service, not just in a "special duty area." As a result, if a sailor dies of complications from the fire, they are now eligible for the medal.

But the rules aren't retroactive, and since Saunders died before 2006, he doesn't qualify.

His mother, Deborah Sullivan, was shocked when she learned she wasn't a Silver Cross mother.

"This medal is a symbol of the sacrifice made not only by my son Christopher, but for all the other

"So it seems really ironic that his death would not have been included in the changes that were made."

Lt. Chris Saunders' mother Deborah Sullivan

soldiers, sailors and airmen and women who serve their country," she wrote in an e-mail yesterday.

"This medal, which I believe should be awarded to every widow and mother of our loved ones, is, in my opinion, part of the legacy that should be left to the families."

She said she learned a briefing note was given to the media in 2006 that said her son's death was the reason why the rules needed to be changed.

"So it seems really ironic that his death would not have been included in the changes that were made," she said.

Her Saint John, N.B., MP Paul Zed took up her cause and last month introduced a motion for the Memorial Cross rules to include families of military personnel killed since the Second World War.

"For her what rang hollow was she was receiving an outpouring of condolences from the prime minister — from all over Canada about the loss of her son," he said.

He said the government could do something about it now without waiting for a vote on his motion.

But Veterans Affairs Minister Greg Thompson said making an exception would cause problems in that there will always be someone else wanting another exception. He told the Globe and Mail he hopes Zed's motion is debated.

Sackville-Eastern Shore MP Peter Stoffer said he will support Zed's motion and will encourage the NDP caucus to do the same.

"Saunders still served his country, whether in combat or regular duty," he said.

More than 600 speeding tickets issued in June

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"The speeds are not as great."

Const. Jim Smith

Drivers are not slowing down to save gas, according to numbers released by police.

Halifax Regional Police issued more than 600 speeding tickets during the month of June, said spokesman Const. Jeff Carr.

He said the number of speeding tickets was up during the first three or

four months of the year even though last year's numbers were already at a record high.

Const. Jim Smith, with the RCMP's traffic services, said he's noticed a slight difference in speeding tickets, but not in the number of tickets issued.

"The speeds are not as great," he said.

"We're still getting them speeding but we're not getting them as high as we used to get them."

Michelle Wright, spokeswoman with Conserve Nova Scotia, said it's in the best interest of drivers not to speed.

Every 10 km/h more than 90 km/h translates into as much as a 10 per cent increase in fuel consumption, she said.

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Province bans open fires for summer

The Department of Natural Resources announced an open fire ban yesterday after several days of warm dry weather increased the forest fire index to high or extreme in most areas of the province. The ban prohibits setting open fires in woods or within 305 metres of the woods. **METRO HALIFAX**

Feud over paving bid

Monte Vista residents, MLA accusing each other

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Nova Scotia MLA John MacDonell who's been accused of pulling political strings to keep his road from being paved says his neighbours are doing some string pulling of their own.

"I'm a little bit perplexed at their angst, considering, most of the rules that would be used to govern this petition process, have either been re-written or modified to try to accommodate this paving project," he said yesterday.

On Tuesday, Metro published a story about the residents of Monte Vista Road in Enfield who have been fighting to get their gravel road paved for five years.

Two of the residents said over 70 per cent of their neighbours voted in favour of the paving for safety reasons, but then the peti-



Monte Vista Road residents marched on May 10 for the right to have their Enfield street paved. They say it's pitted with potholes and is especially dangerous in the winter.

tion they voted on was tossed aside because of what city council said was "new legal advice."

A second petition was drawn up and Ellen Farrell and Esther Hopkins said when they received the document, MacDonell and his

brother had added 80 new names to the "no" side.

Rather than going by the traditional system of one vote per property, the MacDonell brothers, who own six properties between them on the road, added dozens of names to

power play

NHL superstar Sidney Crosby also owns a home on Monte Vista Road and is reportedly in favour of it being paved.

their property deeds and included these on the petition.

MacDonell said yesterday he was just following the advice of a Hants County councillor.

"One said to me, 'I'd be adding my husband, my kids and anyone I could to my deed,'" he said.

MacDonell said he doesn't want to pay to have the road paved because it will cost close to \$6,000 for each of his family's properties.

He said residents should not have to pay for the paving because it's a provincial road but Cathy MacIsaac with the Transportation Department said the road is actually a municipal road that qualified for a provincial cost-sharing program.

Injured men mum on drunken brawl

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RUMBLE After hours of drinking, four men started a brawl on a Dartmouth street Tuesday night.

"Three of them were drinking all afternoon together and they got into it a little after 10 p.m.," said Const. Jeff Carr.

Three men were involved originally, but a fourth joined the fray, possibly with a golf club.

"The drinking was going on inside a residence and some type of dispute erupted. Whether the fighting started inside or not, I don't know, but it spilled out into the street. They were smashing bottles and a baseball bat was

involved and it looks like a golf club."

By the time police arrived at Wilbur Court, one man fled, but Carr said police know who it was.

Two men were taken to the QEII hospital, one of them with head injuries, and both were released.

"None of them who were involved were forthcoming with information," said Carr.

A lack of co-operation makes laying any charges difficult, but police are still investigating.

"The only charges that have been laid at this point is breach of recognition against one of the men that was taken to hospital," Carr said.

"He is 25 and he was also charged with providing us with a false name."

News in brief

CRIME A former Dartmouth CIBC employee has been arraigned in Dartmouth provincial court on 32 charges related to tampering with customers' accounts. Sunday Edokpayi, 48, is alleged to have provided ac-

complices in Toronto with customer account information. The accomplices went on to apply for and use CIBC Visa cards in those customers' names, according to the allegations.

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Thomas Svekla, who was found guilty of killing an Edmonton prostitute in June, is appealing his conviction. Svekla, was found guilty of second-degree murder in the death of Theresa Innes, 36, whose body was found in a hockey bag in a northeast Edmonton home. SOURCE: CBC NEWS ONLINE

Canada

"If they take our name, they've taken us."

Green Shift company founder Jennifer Wright, right, at a press conference yesterday announced their intention to sue the federal Liberal Party.



Green Shift

The environmental firm sued the federal Liberal Party yesterday for \$8.7 million for using the company's Green Shift trademark as its carbon-tax plan slogan.

Changing our image

PM limits aid, greenhouse goals at G8

Prime Minister Stephen Harper, who just wrapped up his third G8 summit, has redrawn Canada's image at the influential meetings from a force for progressive change to that of a hard-nosed, conservative player in world politics.

While he criticized U.S. President George W. Bush

no standard

The G8 committed to halving greenhouse gas emissions by 2050, but gave no standard by which it would be halved.

for refusing for years to accept the need to set targets for greenhouse gas reductions, the Prime Minister rejected the stiff emissions-reduction goals of the Kyoto

Protocol as unattainable and an unfair burden on industrialized nations. And Harper, like his U.S. counterpart, kept Canada's climate change commitments to a minimum at this G8.

Critics also accused Harper of trying to limit aid to Africa and stop the pledge to spend \$60-billion fighting AIDS and malaria.

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News in brief

NATIVE SCHOOLS More than 3,000 people have applied to the federal government's program to settle outstanding sexual or physical abuse claims arising from the Indian residential schools era following its apology last month.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

MDS files isotope lawsuit

MAPLE REACTOR MDS Inc said yesterday it has filed a \$1.6-billion claim against Atomic Energy of Canada and the federal government for scrapping a reactor project that would have supplied the company with medical isotopes.

MDS, a medical services company, said its claim follows a May decision by the government and AECL to scuttle the Maple nuclear reactor project without giving the company prior notice.

REUTERS

Fallen soldier Saluted



Trenton residents gather outside Canadian Forces Base to honour the arrival of Pte. Colin William Wilmot yesterday. Pte. Wilmot died July 5 after an explosive device was detonated near his security patrol in the Panjwayi District of Afghanistan.



Inderjit Singh Reyat

Air India bomber granted bail

TRIAL The only man convicted in connection with the 1985 Air India bombings, Inderjit Singh Reyat, 55, was granted bail yesterday as he awaits trial for allegedly lying in court that he knew nothing about the plot. His Vancouver perjury trial is scheduled to start in January.

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329 The number of people who died in the bombing of Air India Flight 182 — history's deadliest bombing of a civilian aircraft.



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Water on the moon

Tiny green and orange glass balls brought back from the moon nearly 40 years ago by astronauts show evidence that water existed there from the very beginning, reported scientists, who used a new method of analyzing elements in the lunar sand samples. **REUTERS**

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World/Business

Economy spurs growing world hunger crisis

STRUGGLE FOR FOOD Costly food and oil pushed 133 million more people onto world hunger rolls in 2007, according to the U.S. Agriculture Department, which changed its 10-year outlook to a rise in hunger instead of a decline.

The USDA's annual Food Security Assessment said the number of "food-insecure" people in 70 developing countries rose to 982 million in 2007 from 849 million in the prior year.

The number of people struggling to obtain food could rise to 1.2 billion by 2017, USDA warned in a reversal of last year's forecast that saw the number of hungry people declining during the next 10 years in all regions, except Sub-Saharan Africa.

The USDA defines food insecurity as having difficulty acquiring enough food for the household throughout the year.

"Over the next decade, a slowdown in worldwide economic growth is projected to combine with food and fuel price hikes to contribute to an ongoing deterioration in global food security," USDA said.

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Food cutbacks

Rising food prices and transportation costs have prompted the United States, the world's largest food aid donor, to cut shipments by roughly 50 per cent during the last 5 years.

An eye on the evolution of fish

FOSSILS Some odd-looking fish fossils found in the bowels of European museums may help solve a lingering question about evolutionary theory.

The fossils, which have one eye near the top of their heads, help explain how flatfish such as sole and halibut developed the trait of having both eyes on one side. They lie on their sides on the sea bottom, so this gives them the use of two eyes.

But the trait has posed a problem for biologists because no one had found any transitional fossils that showed intermediate steps in the evolution of this trait.

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A TV video grab shows long- and medium-range missiles being tested in Iran yesterday. One of the nine missiles tested, Iran has said previously, could reach Israel and U.S. bases in the region.

Iran missile tests boost tensions

U.S. calls for immediate halt to manoeuvres

Iran test-fired nine missiles yesterday and warned the United States and Israel it was ready to retaliate for any attack over its disputed nuclear projects.

Washington, which says Iran seeks atomic bombs, told Tehran to halt further tests. Iran, the world's fourth largest oil producer, says its nuclear program is only for

electricity.

Iran later announced night-time missile manoeuvres, and its missile tests rattled oil markets, helping crude prices to rebound about \$2 a barrel after recent falls.

Speculation that Israel could bomb Iran has mounted since a big Israeli air drill last month. U.S. leaders have not ruled out military op-

tions if diplomacy fails to end the nuclear row.

Revolutionary Guards air force commander Hossein Salami said in televised comments that thousands of missiles were ready to be fired at "pre-determined targets."

Missiles were shown soaring from desert launchpads, leaving long vapour trails.

REUTERS

Zimbabwe blasts G8 sanction plan

Zimbabwe denounced the Group of Eight rich nations' support for sanctions on its officials yesterday as part of a racist effort led by Britain and the United States to install a puppet government.

A draft UN resolution calling for sanctions on President Robert Mugabe's government would include an arms embargo and financial and travel restric-

"We condemn this colonial and racist campaign . . ."

Sikhanyiso Ndlovu

tions on 14 officials.

"We condemn this colonial and racist campaign against our country and government, but we are also very cognizant that it is

Britain and the United States who are leading this campaign whose ultimate goal is to have their puppets in power." Zimbabwean Information Minister Sikhanyiso Ndlovu said in a televised statement.

The Western allies successfully lobbied their G8 partners at the summit this week in Japan to back sanctions on Zimbabwe.

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News in brief

MEDIA Romania's constitutional watchdog yesterday ruled against draft legislation that would require radio and television stations to air more "happy" news saying that it breaches the constitution.

REUTERS

TRAINING Iraqi security forces will largely be able to fight on their own without combat help from U.S. ground forces by the middle of 2009, the senior U.S. Army officer in charge of training Iraqi forces said yesterday.

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ATTACKS Bombs killed at least 14 people and wounded dozens in northern and western Iraq yesterday, but the Iraqi military said overall attacks across the country were down 85 per cent from a year ago.

REUTERS

End of job boom coming: Analysts

EMPLOYMENT A hiring spree by employers may be finally starting to wind down and reflect the slowing economy, a turning point that analysts expect to see confirmed in the June employment report tomorrow.

Analysts expect the unemployment rate to remain unchanged in June at 6.1 per cent and that 10,000 jobs will be added.

Job growth in Canada 2007 and early 2008 was surprisingly robust, in contradiction to an economy that has been losing steam. In the three months prior to June, however, employment gains slowed to an average of 14,000, about half the level of the three-month period before that.

"Is job growth starting to slow in Canada, yes or no? I believe the answer will be yes," said Michael Gregory,

"Is job growth starting to slow in Canada, yes or no? I believe the answer will be yes."

Michael Gregory

senior economist at BMO Capital Markets. He said consumer confidence has fallen due to surging gasoline prices and a slowdown in the rate of growth in home prices.

Derek Holt, economist at Scotia Capital, warned against complacency in Canada, where the labour market has held up better than in the United States.

"It would be a mistake to ignore emerging pitfalls," he said. "The worst still lies ahead for workers in both countries."

REUTERS

Gehry takes designs to U.K. at last

BUILDINGS Architect Frank Gehry, whose distinctive asymmetric, curved buildings are admired the world over, has unveiled his first structure in England, a country he says does not appreciate his ideas.

The 79-year-old's temporary wood and glass installation was commissioned by the Serpentine Gallery in London's Kensington Gardens. The Serpentine pavilion is also Gehry's first collaboration with son Samuel.

REUTERS

News in brief

NO MELTDOWN Housing starts in Canada dropped 4.3 per cent in June to 217,800 units from 227,700 in May, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp. said yesterday. But economists are convinced the sector is not headed for a U.S.-style meltdown.

REUTERS

MORTGAGES Canada tightened the rules on government-backed mortgages yesterday, reducing the maximum amortization period for new mortgages to 35 years from 40 years. It will also require a minimum downpayment of 5 per cent for such mortgages; previously, government insurance was available for up to 100 per cent of the value of a house.

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Beijing Games

Sarkozy to attend Games' opening

POLITICS The head of the European Parliament said he would skip the Beijing opening ceremony yesterday, hours after French President Nicolas Sarkozy said he would attend.

The announcement by Sarkozy's office unleashed a storm of criticism in the European assembly, with lawmakers accusing him of letting down EU efforts to pressure China on civil rights and Tibet. **REUTERS**

Chambers' fate known next week

ATHLETICS Sprinter Dwain Chambers will find out next week if he is eligible to compete in Beijing after a date was set for his legal challenge to the British Olympic Association's life ban for drug cheats.

The full hearing is unlikely to take place until March, but Chambers, who completed a two-year ban in 2006, will find out next Wednesday if he has an injunction against the bylaw, making him eligible for the Games. **REUTERS**

Hurdles champ forced to quit

ATHLETICS World 400-metre hurdles champion Jana Rawlinson has been forced to withdraw from next month's Olympic Games team because of a long-standing toe injury, the Australian Olympic Committee said yesterday. **REUTERS**

Sports in brief

BASKETBALL China's NBA All-Star Yao Ming is back in training after surgery and looking good for the Olympics, teammate Yi Jianlian said yesterday. **REUTERS**

TV Broadcasters will be able to transmit live by satellite from around Beijing and Tiananmen Square during the Games, the International Olympic Committee said yesterday. **REUTERS**

Tomorrow's lineup

SPLASHING OUT Once the absent underdogs of the sport, the Canadian men's water polo team is looking to make a big splash at the Olympics. Read tomorrow's Metro for more.

28 days remain until the official start of the 2008 Summer Olympic Games in Beijing.



Mark Oldershaw says he is ready to face off against the world's finest at the Olympic Games in Beijing next month.

Paddle to the podium

Canoeist Oldershaw follows family tradition to get to Olympics

ERIC BOWLING
for Metro Canada

Olympic-bound solo flatwater canoeist Mark Oldershaw is fulfilling his self-determined destiny in Beijing this August.

According to Oldershaw, backed up by his mom, Connie Lee Oldershaw, he has wanted to paddle to the podium since he was eight-years-old.

"It's been a dream since I was a little kid," says Oldershaw, who is also picking at an English degree at Carleton University when he's not seeking global championships. "I grew up with the Olympics as part of my life with my grandfather, father and uncles all competing at the Olympics."

With four relatives now spanning three generations with Olympic experience, boating is in the Oldershaws' blood. His family is so intertwined with the sport that his coach also



Flatwater canoeist Mark Oldershaw, left, sits with his coach — and father — Scott Oldershaw.

happens to be his father, Scott Oldershaw.

"It's good to have coaching pretty much 24/7," he says.

"I can get coaching at the dinner table or at the club. Whenever I need it, he's there."

Oldershaw qualified for the Olympic Games in the C1 500m at the 2008 Flatwater Racing World Cup in Szeged, Hungary on June 5. Since then, he has been chiefly focusing on physical fitness, spending his time between his home-

town of Burlington, Ont., and Ottawa.

"I'm getting back more into basics," Oldershaw, 25, says. "Trying to get running again, back into the weight room to get stronger. Just working hard until around the beginning of August, when I'll tone it down and try to peak for Beijing."

While reports on the pollution and heat in Beijing are jarring for some athletes, Oldershaw is nonchalant about how much of a factor it will be.

"I was there (in Beijing) in 2006. To be honest, it was a clear day and I couldn't see any smog and I could breathe fine," he said, adding that Toronto is both exceedingly hot in the summer and doesn't boast the cleanest of air.

"When it comes down to it, everyone's going to be breathing the same air."

He figures the layout of the course will be a far greater factor in the race, although he has seen the Beijing course and is con-

"(Going to the Olympics has) been a dream since I was a little kid."

Mark Oldershaw

fident that he'll do well.

"It's pretty wide open, so that every lane should be fair," he says.

"Sometimes if there are big trees on one side of the course, one side of the course will be better than the other."

While he knows he's got his work cut out for him if he's going to taste gold in Beijing, Oldershaw is ready to face off against the world's finest.

"The Olympic champion is Andreas Dittmer from Germany, and the last year's world champion is David Cal from Spain, but it's such a close race that any given day a whole handful of people could get on the podium. I consider myself one of [those] handful of people."

Even among his family, he is considered the best of his breed.

"Mark has always been the most intense," his mom Connie Lee says.

"It's where he's supposed to be."

Tennis

World No. 1 Roger Federer, Wimbledon champion Rafael Nadal and Australian Open winner Novak Djokovic are the first three players to qualify for the season-ending Masters Cup in Shanghai, organizers said yesterday. **REUTERS**

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Sports

Brand joins Sixers

The Philadelphia 76ers signed forward Elton Brand yesterday in one of the most significant free agent deals of the off-season. The Sixers did not release details of the deal but media reports said the 29-year-old had signed a five-year contract worth \$82 million US. **Reuters**



O'Neal ready for fresh start

Newest Raptor acquisition likes what he sees from his teammates

It was over dinner that Jermaine O'Neal first got to really speak to one of his new teammates, the guy who'll get him the ball this coming NBA season.

And while they were breaking bread at a ritzy Toronto eatery Tuesday night, O'Neal found something in Jose Calderon that may come more to the fore now that the Spaniard is the undisputed backcourt leader of the Raptors.

"He has that real Euro-toughness," was how O'Neal described Calderon. "He has a swagger about himself."

With O'Neal finally in the fold after the long-reported trade with Indiana was finalized, and

Calderon officially in the fold with a new five-year deal worth about \$40 million US the talk was of new starts and endless possibilities.

How that translates onto the court remains to be seen — and no one can say for certain how a Bosh-O'Neal-Calderon triumvirate will actually function — but the two newest teammates are anxious to find out.

"I think that (swagger O'Neal detected in Calderon) fits with my personality because I do play aggressive, I do play physical, I do like to bang and if I can kind of get everybody to do that and take some the pressure off (Chris Bosh) so he won't have to



Jermaine O'Neal, flanked by head coach Sam Mitchell, left, and general manager Bryan Colangelo, shows off his new No. 6 Raptors jersey yesterday at Air Canada Centre.

bang as much, we're going to be good."

There were nothing but

good feelings around the Raptors yesterday as they unveiled the newest incarnation of the core of the team.

For O'Neal it represents a new start, for Calderon it represents a familiar feeling, for the organization, it represents another shot at climbing the Eastern Conference ladder.

"He's an all-star," Calderon said of O'Neal. "I think with Chris they're going to be one of the best couple inside in the league. I'm excited to play with both of them, I don't know, I think it's great."

"Not too many teams can say they have two all-stars on the team and I think it's going to be tough for other teams to do things against us this year."

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Boulton signs deal to stay a Thrasher

NHL Middle Sackville's Eric Boulton has signed a two-year, \$1.2-million contract with the Atlanta Thrashers, the Atlanta Journal-Constitution reported yesterday.

The 31-year-old Halifax McDonald's major midget graduate has been with the Thrashers for the past three seasons, stretching his NHL career to seven years. He broke in with the Buffalo Sabres in 2000-01 after four seasons in the minor leagues.

Boulton, a 6-foot-1, 225-pound left-winger, matched career highs in goals with four and assists with five in 74 games with the Thrashers last season. He also collected 127 penalty minutes.

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Boulton

Emery heading to Russia

Former Ottawa Senators netminder Ray Emery has agreed to a one-year deal with Atlant Mytishchi of the new Russian Continental Hockey League.

The deal is reportedly worth \$2 million US.

The 25-year-old Emery who was cut loose by the Sens last month, went 12-13-4 with a 3.13 goals-against average and an .890 save percentage last season.

In other hockey moves yesterday:

• The Washington Capitals signed forward Brooks Laich to a three-year contract. Laich, 25, played in all 82 games for

Washington last season, recording 21 goals and 16 assists.

Over four seasons in the NHL he has appeared in 233 games, one with Ottawa and the remainder with Washington, and has Emery totaled 36 goals and 41 assists.

• The San Jose Sharks resigned restricted free agent defenseman Christian Ehrhoff to a three-year contract.

Ehrhoff, 26, notched a goal and 21 assists for 22 points in 77 games for the



Sharks last season, in addition to leading the team with 108 blocked shots.

• The Montreal Canadiens inked defenceman Josh Gorges to a three-year deal.

Gorges, 23, saw action in 62 games for Montreal last season, tallying nine assists and 32 penalty minutes.

• The Columbus Blue Jackets have given head coach Ken Hitchcock a three-year contract extension through 2011-12 season.

Hitchcock has held the reins behind the bench since being hired by the club on Nov. 22, 2006.

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The Nova Scotia Golf Association senior women's championship starts today at the West Pubnico Golf and Country Club. Defending champion and 14-time amateur titleholder Kathy Powers, left, of Bluenose highlights the field. **METRO HALIFAX**

N.S. paddlers to represent Canada

CANOE-KAYAK Five Nova Scotians will represent Canada at the pre-junior world canoe-kayak championships in Moscow in September.

Dartmouth's Mark James and Fall River's Michael Hindler highlight the men's canoe team, while Fall River's Michelle Russell, Halifax's Natalie Miller and Kentville's Alexa Irvin have cracked the women's kayak squad.

All five competed on the junior national team this summer. James and Hindler won silver in the C-2 500 at the Ruhr regatta in Germany last month, while Russell, Miller and Irvin took silver in the K-4 1,000 at the same event.

The pre-junior worlds run Sept. 5 to 7.

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Sports in brief

BASEBALL Baseball Canada's women's championship starts today in Sydney. Nova Scotia is one of five teams competing, with entries coming from Alberta, Ontario and two from Quebec. Halifax's Jen Appleby, Cole Harbour's Paige Stevens and Timberlea's Brittany Walsh highlight Nova Scotia's roster. The championship game is Sunday at 7 p.m.

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Colley after national glory

Halifax student bids for spot on Canada's under-18 team

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Justine Colley has no trouble standing out on basketball courts in Nova Scotia.

The East Preston guard has already nabbed back-to-back MVPs in the metro high school loop, and is only now entering Grade 12 at Halifax Grammar.

Standing out at the national level? Well, that's exactly what's on her agenda next week in Barrie, Ont. The 17-year-old is trying out for a spot on Canada's under-18 team.

"Hopefully I stand out to the coaches and they recognize me, other than just being another kid from Nova Scotia trying to make the team," said Colley. "Hopefully they like what they see."

Colley is one of 25 players trying out for the team and one of three Nova Scotians. Also vying for spots are Cole Harbour's Rachelle Coward, a 5-foot-11 guard/forward who will play at University of North Carolina at Charlotte next season, and 6-foot-2 forward Abbey Duinker of Cambridge Station.

Fourteen players will be selected from the tryout, which starts Sunday. Twelve will travel to the FIBA world qualifier in Buenos Aires, from July 23 to 27.

"It's a large opportunity for me, just because not many people from the Maritimes and Nova Scotia get to represent their country," said Colley, who helped Grammar win a provincial title in 2007 and back-to-back Capital Region banners.

"It's a dream for anybody to represent their country."

Justine Colley

"It's a dream for anybody to represent their country in a sport internationally. It's a big goal of mine."

The 5-foot-9 guard is eager to get another look from the national coaches. She tried out for the under-18 team last year and was cut, and has worked hard for a better result.

"There's a lot of great talent, not only in a world, but within our own borders here in Canada," she said. "Getting cut made me work harder to prepare to make it to the next level."

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Halifax's Justine Colley will be one of 25 players trying out for Canada's under-18 team next week in Barrie, Ont.

LeBlanc leads early at amateur

GOLF Mireille LeBlanc has the early lead at the Nova Scotia Golf Association women's amateur championship.

The Clare golfer from Meteghan River, Digby Co., shot a 4-over 76 at the West Pubnico Golf and Country Club near Yarmouth yesterday to grab a one-stroke first-round lead.

The 20-year-old LeBlanc just completed her junior year of NCAA Division 1 golf at Jackson State in Mississippi.

Bedford's Debi DeCoste, a 44-year-old who golfs out of Granite Springs, is right there behind LeBlanc. She shot a 5-over 77 to grab sole possession of second place.

Defending champion and two-time winner Laura Harris of Ken-Wo (7-over 79) is tied for third with Grandview's Cristal Romero Fitzpatrick, while Carla Smith of River Hills rounded out the top five after shooting a 9-over 81.

Bedford's Irene Jung of Penn Hills is 10 strokes back.

The top four finishers earn a spot at the Royale Cup Canadian championship from July 28 to Aug. 1 in Winnipeg.

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ARK regatta set for Bedford Basin

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The ARK sailing regatta hopes to be better than ever this weekend.

Organizers have taken strides to raise the profile of the event as it opens today for the 37th year at the Bedford Basin Yacht Club. For the first time, they've brought in a senior international judge and qualified race officers to help raise the stakes.

"We've raised the bar," event chair Lynn Davis said. "It makes it not just another one of these local events. It's a serious regatta where the kids are expected to do their very best."

"It's good, solid racing." As many as 160 sailors aged eight to 18 will be on hand for the event. Racing is on Saturday and Sunday, but the event starts today with the Atlantic Olympic training seminar.

Up for grabs are the provincial double-handed and laser crowns, as well as the East Coast byte and C11 titles. ARK is also an event on the C11, byte and 29er Northeast Grand Prix circuit.



The ARK regatta, which begins today at the Bedford Basin Yacht Club, features both single- and double-handed boats.

It marks the start of the competitive season for many sailors.

"It means a lot to host this for the 37th year ... There's a lot of history,"

Davis said. "All the competitors look forward to this as the first in a series of regattas through the Maritimes, and this one is a great way to get things started."

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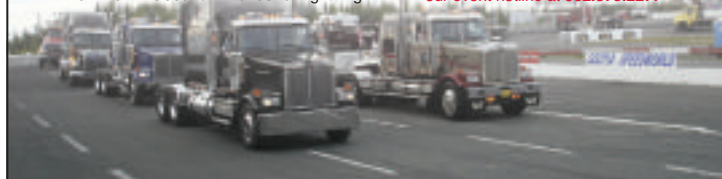
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Those hot sweltering days of summer are starting to make an appearance. Although we North Americans are accustomed to expensive air conditioning, the design teams knows there are ways to keep your décor naturally cool and inviting (and cheap!).

Think back on what grandma and grandpa always did when those dog days of summer here — and start doing the same thing! A cold lemonade sure does help, but also consider these time-tested ways of keeping your house cool.

One of the most effective ways to cut down on heat entering the house is to cover your windows. Easy and good-looking décor solutions include opaque shades, bamboo blinds, mini-blinds or draperies. When they're closed, they can deflect 40 to 50 percent of the solar heat gain that would enter your home without window coverings.

Light colours work best, since, as we all know, dark colours absorb heat and radiate it into our homes — not a good thing in summer. Close your window coverings and your window to keep out the sun and heated air during the time when the sun wants to shine through your window. This is especially significant for southern and western-facing windows. Only open them in the morning, evening, or at night, when your window is shaded or it is dark. When you do open them, try to open windows at opposite ends of a room to promote circulation.

Consider weatherproof



Window coverings — especially light-coloured ones — are an easy way to keep the house cooler. When closed, they can deflect up to half of the solar heat that would enter via windows.

blinds outside your window—these types of blinds can reduce heat entering the house because they deflect it before it enters the house. Shutters can also do the job.

They can be installed seasonally, only for the summer months. But unless you have remote control, you'll have to go outside or reach through your window to open or close these coverings.

Shade, of course, mitigates the hot-house effect. Plantings, although they do take time to grow, can do wonders for reducing sunlight and heat entering your home.

This kind of cover is especially important on the south and west-facing part of the house, and is also beneficial for cutting the morning light on the east side. Deciduous plantings are best because they cut the heat in the summer and allow heat in the winter. Another great way to introduce shade is to use attractive awnings and overhangs outside your windows, especially if the roof overhang does not produce adequate shade.

Awnings look great, especially in a more traditional setting. Inset windows, often found on more contemporary or modern

dwelling, also produce shade. Inside the house, try to keep upholstery and fabric surfaces as light-coloured as you can during the summer — if you have dark-coloured upholstery, consider slipcovers.

Choose a gorgeous light-coloured fabric and voila—you've got a great new look that reflects light rather than absorbing it and radiating heat.

Indoor fans also make it feel less hot. Ceiling fans are absolutely priceless at cooling, and there are certainly good-looking models available. Just be careful if you are bargain shopping — sometimes well-priced ceiling fans can be downright ugly.

The same goes for portable or window fans. To blow heat out of the house, they should be located on the downwind side of the house and facing outdoors. A window should be open in each room and interior doors open to allow air flow.

And if you still decide you still need to use an air conditioner, just make sure you seal the system well. Use caulking and weatherstripping to minimize the loss of cooled air.

Tammy Schnurr and Jeffrey Fisher are co-hosts of Arresting Design on W Network.

Replant gladioli for successive waves of summer blooms

GARDENING Planting gladioli is a bit different from planting other summer bulbs, writes the Netherlands Flower Bulb Information Center. In fact, the best way to plant them sounds like a scene from a summer sequel to the movie Groundhog Day. Gladioli are best planted repeatedly, adding more and more to beds, replanting new batches every 10 days or so.

The result is successive waves of new blooms from mid-summer into fall. Most bloom 70 to 80 days after planting, though some bloom faster (55 days) and others slower (90 days). Gladioli stand tall, with orchid-like blooms borne upright as on a spear.

Plant clusters amidst sturdier plants (roses, sedums, thistles, etc.) to provide support. Or plant them in cutting gardens; their blooms are delightfully long-lasting in the vase.

For more on summer bulbs, see www.bulb.com.

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A-list style

Some folks will want to peruse *So Chic: Glamorous Lives, Stylish Spaces* (Filipacchi, \$46.50) by Margaret Russell and the editors of *Elle Decor* for the boldface names whose interiors are profiled within. But the décor is the real star here. This survey of style is colourful and eclectic enough to provide some serious inspiration. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



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Food

Napa cabbage is a tightly packed head of wide stalks with elongated, crinkled leaves that are creamy white or pale green.

Barb Holland/for Metro Halifax



Flavour

It has a mild, sweet cabbage flavour, sort of a cross between cabbage, lettuce and celery. It has a lightly crunchy texture that is good raw, lightly steamed or stir-fried.

À la carte

Barb Holland

Metro Food Writer

Keeping it simple with cool summer salads

When the temperature soars, cooler cooking should prevail. Often our appetites lessen while thirst increases in hot weather. Take your cooking outdoors and serve up big salads by grilling up lots of fresh vegetables and seasoned or marinated meat. Slice all and toss with plenty of crisp greens in a favourite dressing. Keep it simple.

Warm Asian Chicken & Napa Cabbage Salad

Keep the heat out of the kitchen. The main dish salad is a nice combination of colour, texture and flavour and perfect for warm days. Oranges provide a hit of sweetness and colour.

INGREDIENTS:

2 oranges
1 tbsp (15 mL) each: chili garlic sauce and soy sauce
1 lb (500 g) boneless, skinless chicken thighs
1 red pepper, quartered
8 cups shredded napa cabbage (Chinese cabbage),

about 1 lb (500 g)
2 green onions, sliced
½ cup (125 mL) fresh coriander leaves

Dressing:
2 tbsp (30 mL) each: rice vinegar and vegetable oil
1 tbsp (15 mL) each: chili garlic sauce, soy sauce, minced fresh ginger
Salt and pepper

METHOD:

Using a sharp knife, remove peel and white pith from oranges. Over a bowl, cut between membranes to release segments. Catch juice in separate small bowl, squeezing remaining membranes to get all the juice. Add 1 tbsp (15 mL) chili garlic sauce and soy sauce to orange juice. Trim any excess fat from chicken and add chicken to orange mixture to marinate while preparing other ingredients.

In large salad bowl, place cabbage, orange segments, green onions and

coriander.

Whisk dressing ingredients together.

Grill chicken and red pepper on preheated barbecue over medium to medium-high heat until chicken is tender and cooked through and pepper is lightly softened, 15 to 20 minutes.

Slice chicken and red pepper into strips; add to salad along with dressing and toss well. Serve immediately. Makes 4 main-course servings.

Storage tips:

• Refrigerate napa cabbage in a plastic bag, as it readily absorbs nearby odours and use within one week.

Barb Holland is a professional home economist and food writer who believes in shopping locally and in season.



Oranges provide a hit of sweetness and colour to this recipe which includes Napa cabbage, inset, chicken and red pepper.

Faster than you can say 'yum'

The latest book in Eric Akis' bestselling *Everyone Can Cook* series, *Midweek Meals* caters to people with busy lifestyles who value eating home-cooked meals with their families. Brimming with over 120 easy-to-follow recipes that are simple and quick to prepare, this book will help you avoid buying expensive, sodium-filled, fat-saturated, ready-made meals. Eric Akis is a food writer for the *Times Colonist* in Victoria and a freelance food consultant. Whitecap Books has offered Metro this recipe from *Everyone Can Cook Midweek Meals: Recipes for Cooks on the Run*:

Thin-crust Tortilla Pizza

When the pizza craving strikes, you can whip one up in minutes with this simple recipe using tortillas you can find at any grocery store. The preparation time is 15 minutes, the cooking time is 10–12 minutes and this recipe makes one pizza, or 2–3 servings. Eric's options: Double or triple this recipe if you're feeding a larger group.

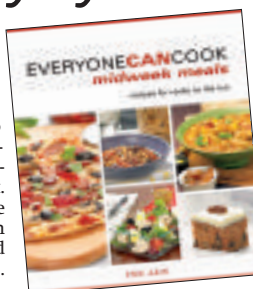
INGREDIENTS:

2 10-inch (25 cm) white or whole wheat tortillas
1½ cups (375 mL) grated mozzarella cheese
⅓ cup (75 mL) pizza sauce Your choice of toppings, such as mushrooms,

bell peppers, pepperoni, olives and nuggets of goat cheese

METHOD:

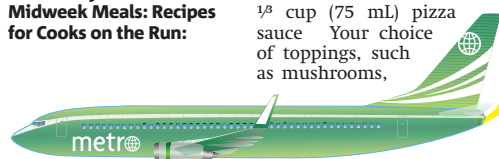
Preheat the oven to 375°F (190°C). Place 1 tortilla on a parchment paper-lined baking sheet. Evenly top with half the grated cheese. Top with the second tortilla. Spread the pizza sauce overtop. Sprinkle with the remaining cheese and your desired pizza toppings. Bake for 10–12 minutes. Cool for a minute or two before cutting into wedges and serving.



Everyone Can Cook Midweek Meals: Recipes for Cooks on the Run (Paperback) is available at Amazon.ca for \$15.72.



When the pizza craving strikes, you can whip one of these quick and simple tortilla pizzas in just minutes.



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Tatamagouche chosen

CBC Television has announced that Tatamagouche, Colchester Co., will be the location of the new season of its show, *The Week The Women Went*. **METRO**

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Entertainment

Simple act

Cute Is What We Aim For will replace the All American Rejects as one of the opening acts for Simple Plan, left, at the Halifax Metro Centre on Thursday, Aug. 21. **METRO**



From bebop to hip hop

Musical innovator Johnson rediscovered by a new generation of musicians, fans

Syl Johnson takes the mainstage of the Jazzfest on Saturday night.

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You may not know his name, but chances are you've heard Syl Johnson's work.

It starts with a drum beat – pop, cho choom choom, pop cho choom choom – is followed by a male voice grunting “unh,” and next comes a woman laughing. Then, the lyrics start: “Baby you're laughing.”

“I am the most sampled musician ever, and it's because of Different Strokes,” said Johnson, whose song has been used by everyone from the Yu-Tang Clan to Kid Rock.

A well-respected American blues and soul singer, Johnson is among the performers taking part in this year's Atlantic Jazz Festival.

“The hip-hop producers know me well; they know me well,” the 72-year-old said. “It's the grunt the laugh and the drum beat. They all went wild.”

Johnson's career started in the 1950s after a musician called Shaky Jakes heard him and his friends



Syl Johnson is scheduled to perform at the Atlantic Jazz Festival's mainstage tent this Saturday night at 8 p.m.

playing music. He took Johnson and made him a backup player in his band.

His career lasted until the dawn of disco, when changing musical tastes led to semi-retirement. Johnson opened a chain of fast-food fish restaurants in Chicago.

He came out of semi-re-

tirement in the 1990s after learning hip-hop artists were sampling his songs. His reaction: “It was great to get paid. It's copyright, right? I did, and they made me well off.”

Well, some have paid. Johnson says some others (he names off a few high-profile names) haven't. He

If you go

What: Syl Johnson
Where: Atlantic Jazz Festival's mainstage tent
When: Saturday, 8 p.m.
Tickets: \$20 and \$30. Visit www.jazzeast.com

is suing.

He credits the lasting in-

fluence of his songs — including *Take Me To The River* — to his ability to incorporate different styles of music, from blues and gospel, to R&B and dance music.

“When I studied music I leaned about changes. When you play blues you don't learn about changes.

Jazz advance

Here is a look at what is taking place at the 22nd annual Atlantic Jazz Festival, which runs tomorrow through Saturday, July 19:

TOMORROW

Mainstage Tent: Orquesta Tipica Imperial and E-stringz, 8 p.m. \$25 and \$30.
Stayner's Wharf: Ted Quinlan Quartet. 11:30 p.m. \$10.

SATURDAY

Mainstage Tent: Syl Johnson, Bill Stevenson and Tom Easley, and Geoff Arsenault. 8 p.m. \$20 and \$30.
Commons Room: John Taylor. 9 p.m. \$25 and \$32.
Stayner's Wharf: Ted Quinlan Quartet. 11:30 p.m. \$10
Free Daytime Concerts: Sam-ba Nova, The Klezmerin, Nu Gruv, Andru Branch and Zumbini Circus. Noon. Free.
For more information on the musicians and venues, or to buy tickets, visit www.jazzeast.com.

You just play what you hear and feel,” said Johnson.

“I liked jazz chords and I hip-hopped it up a little bit – bebop hip hop. Bebop is the same kind of beat,” he added.

“That was the difference between me and the old singers. I wanted to hip hop the beat up, that's all.”

You can soak up the suds at Beerfest

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BEER Ships will be replaced by suds on the city's waterfront this summer, with the second annual Halifax Seaport Beerfest.

“It's a celebration of all things brewed,” said event co-chair Bruce Mansour about the one-day festival. “Even last year, I was surprised by the variety. There were many I didn't know existed – let alone tried.”

Taking place on Saturday, Aug. 16, the festival will feature more than 100

beers from breweries around the world – from Japan's Sapporo to New Brunswick's Picaroons.

There will also be a Brewmaster Dinner at the West Nova Scotia on the night prior to the fest, where different varieties of beer will be paired with food.

The actual festival will be held in the cruise pavilion behind the Garrison Brewing Company on Marginal Rd.

“Our vision from the get go was a beautiful outdoor festival; shades, shorts, beer in hand with some



Brian Titus, left, and Bruce Mansour co-chair the Halifax Seaport Beerfest.

great food and music going on in the background,” said Garrison's Brian Titus,

who is co-chairing the festival.

Mansour said the event will be similar to the Port of Wine Festival that takes place each year. As with the wine event, it's a chance to learn more about different types of beers.

“People are pairing beers with desserts and meals now, and taking more interest that way,” said Mansour, noting half the event's 1,200 tickets have already been sold.

Tickets are \$35 and are available at NSLC Stores throughout Halifax.

North American artists put a new spin on old vinyl records

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ART They used to spin on stereos, now some vinyl records have been spun into unique creations.

“I like shows like this, because you are never sure what you are going to get,” said Chris Smith.

The Halifax-based music photographer and more than 80 other artists from across North America have transformed old vinyl records and record sleeves into one-of-a-kind works.

They are being exhibited

as part of a show at Argyle Fine Art called Vinylview.

Gallery owner Adrianna Afford said the idea for the show came after conversations with local artists.

“We thought it would be an interesting medium,” she said. “People are often restricted by the shape the can work in – rectangle or square – and this gave them another shape, and maybe a whole different style of art.”

If you go

What: Vinylview
Where: Argyle Fine Art
When: Opens 7 p.m. tonight

Roberto Cavalli and Nadine Velasquez will join Donald Trump, Jr. and Miss Universe 2004 Jennifer Hawkins as celeb judges of the Miss Universe pageant this Sunday from Vietnam, TMZ reports. **METRO**

Wyclef pens hopeful jams

Performer/producer balances Haitian charity work and music

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Like a hip-hop Bono, Wyclef Jean is deep in music and charity work.

Reached at a Manhattan studio, the former Fugee was wrapping up a recording session with Shakira, and just over jetlag. He had recently travelled to Haiti to visit his charity, Yele Haiti, which is working with the World Food Program to raise \$48 million US towards his former home's food and agriculture crisis.

"It's definitely a sacrifice to try to keep up with my music career and still balance it with charity work," said Jean. "(But) I think being optimistic is always better. It's the hope of John Lennon — no matter how crappy things are, you should still give peace a chance."

That theme is apparent on the rapper-producer's latest, *Carnival Vol. II: Memoirs of an Immigrant*. Uniting the album's reggae, rock and hip-hop rhythms is a perspective that acknowledges the world is darker than it was when Jean put out the original *Carnival*.

"Within that 10-year period, I've travelled a lot of the world, and ... when you go to Brazil and see the favelas and know the government sees them, too, you ask why they don't do anything," he said. "I was born in a hut



Carnival Vol. 2: Memoirs Of An Immigrant is the latest album from Wyclef Jean.

and raised in the ghetto. ... A lot of people I know are doing double life in prison for something they did at a young age, and in their minds they really believe they might get an appeal, because if they ever lose hope, they would get a rope and hang themselves."

For that reason, after kicking off with relatively dark banger *Riot*, the disc flows into positive jams. It flips

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Wyclef Jean

the nihilist anthem C.R.E.A.M. to a hopeful refrain on *Sweetest Girl* (Dollar Bill), and draws on guests like dancehall singer Sizzla, Mary J. Blige, Akon

and even Paul Simon. Jean takes the pop-oriented production of *Carnival I* and mixes it with the explorations of 2004's *Welcome to Haiti: Creole 101*. Record-

ed in Creole and English and built around Caribbean rhythms, it was released on his label Sak Pasé.

"(With) *Carnival II*, I wanted to bring Haiti to the masses. With *Welcome to Haiti*, I thought it would do that, but it didn't," he said, laughing. "(So) to get the masses, I had to do a record like *Carnival* — a great world music record that had a message."

Lil Wayne tops Coldplay on the charts

REIGN ENDS Rapper Lil Wayne returned to the top of the U.S. pop album chart Wednesday, ending the two-week reign of British rock band Coldplay.

Lil Wayne's *Tha Carter III* sold 156,000 copies during the week ended July 6, according to Nielsen SoundScan, and has now sold 1.68 million in four weeks of release.

Coldplay's *Viva La Vida or Death and All His Friends* slipped to No. 2 with 149,000 copies, flip-flopping with Lil Wayne. The Jonas Brothers-led soundtrack to Disney's *Camp Rock* TV movie was No. 3 for a third week with 116,000.

Rap combo G-Unit's sophomore set, *T.O.S. (Terminate on Sight)* debuted at No. 4 with 102,000. The crew's 2003's debut album, *Beg For Mercy*, started at No. 1 with 377,000.

John Mayer's *Where the Light Is: John Mayer Live in Los Angeles* was new at No. 5 with 75,000. **REUTERS**

In brief

DION-MCCARTNEY The battle for seating space on the Plains of Abraham between Paul McCartney and Céline Dion has ended in a draw. Dion's husband, René Angélil, had been upset her Aug. 22 gig to celebrate Quebec City's 400th anniversary was limited to 100,000 fans; McCartney's July 20 show can 200,000. Organizers couldn't move Dion's show but have made room for another 100,000. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Atlantic Jazz Festival July 11-19			
Mon, July 14th 8:15 - 11:15pm Bill Stevenson Quartet 	Tues, July 15th 8:15 - 11:15pm John Chiasson featuring Daniel Matto	Wed, July 16th 8:15 - 11:15pm Russ Brannon Quartet	Thurs, July 17th 8:15 - 11:15pm Latin Groove
11:30 - 2:30am Laila Biali Trio	11:30 - 2:30am Roach/Gatti / Restivo	11:30 - 2:30am Michael Occhipinti's Sicilian Jazz Project	11:30 - 2:30am Creation Dream
Fri, July 18th 8:15 - 11:15pm Doug Mallory featuring Chris Mitchell	Sat, July 19th 3:00 - 7:00pm Yo! Jazz		Sun, July 20th 5:00 - 9:00pm Jeff Goodspeed
11:30 - 2:30am Ensemble Remi-Jean LeBlanc	11:30 - 2:30am SICC (Chris Mitchell & Rob Crowell)		Jazz at Stayner's 492-1800

Green River to relive the old days at Seattle gig

GRUNGE REUNION Green River, an early grunge band that included future members of Pearl Jam and Mudhoney, has gone deep into its back catalogue for its first show in nearly 21 years in Seattle on Sunday. The band will perform as part of the two-day 20th anniversary bash of Sub Pop Records, the iconic indie label whose roster spans Nirvana to comedy duo Flight of the Conchords.

Green River has relearned two unreleased songs from its early demo, *Baby, Help Me Forget* and *Leech*, said bassist Jeff Ament, who went on to co-found Pearl Jam with bandmate Stone Gossard.

"In a weird way, those are probably some of the

best songs we have," Ament said.

"It's funny how it works. At the time, we thought they were way too simple or not challenging enough. But in retrospect, they're really great pop songs. We re-learned those two, but there are five or six songs that never got released."

Green River, which also includes Mudhoney principals Mark Arm and Steve Turner and drummer Alex Vincent, rehearsed twice in late April but has since reconvened three additional times.

Ament didn't rule out future Green River activity, saying, "It would be fun to write a couple of new songs with those guys."

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Lenny Lops Off Skeezy Guy

Lenny Kravitz was so PO'd manager Guy Oseary was getting fellow clients Madonna and A-Rod entangled in their current mess, he fired him. **TMZ.COM**



Great Big Sea rock the boat

Hawksley Workman produces, Russell Crowe pitches in on band's latest album

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The two sides couldn't be any more different: Great Big Sea, a 15-years-strong mainstream East Coast act blending Newfoundland folklore and melodic pop-rock, bringing aboard Ontario-based indie wunderkind Hawksley Workman to produce their latest disc, *Fortune's Favour*.

Talk about a challenge. "We were spending weeks circling each other trying to make this collaboration work," GBS multi-instrumentalist/singer Bob Hallett tells Metro. "Once we figured it out, (Hawksley) was able to take advantage of our eclecticism and our desire for quality. And we could focus on his creativity."

Great Big Sea's eighth studio effort finds Hallett and his singer/multi-instrumentalist cohorts Alan Doyle and Sean McCann teaming up with Workman to em-

phasize all things "big": Big on the production work, big on the emotional flair. Even big on the rock: Not as in the nickname of the trio's home province, but as in upping the amps to 11 for the punk-driven *Straight To Hell* and *Oh Yeah*.

Though Hallett played in punk rock bands before joining GBS, credit for the aforementioned two cuts, shockingly, goes to Doyle.

"Back in high school, the bands I used to play in did a lot of hard rock and heavy metal," Doyle says. "I loved the attitude. In the case of *Oh Yeah*, I always wanted to do a song that could be played in hockey rinks, and had to have body checks written into the song. So I went home that night and put together the four dumbest power chords I could play on guitar and some shout of emotional joy."

Certainly joy could be felt during the recording of *Company Of Fools*. Doyle's co-write with Oscar-winning actor Russell Crowe,



Great Big Sea's Sean McCann, left, Alan Doyle and Bob Hallett have a new album, *Fortune's Favour*.

whose now-defunct rock group 30 Odd Foot of Grunts once covered Great Big Sea songs. Crowe met Doyle while filming 2005's *Cinderella Man*, and the

friendship resulted in Doyle producing the actor-singer's solo outing, *My Hand, My Heart*, that same year.

GBS even felt a tinge of

the celebrity life when Crowe joined the band onstage this past St. Patrick's Day in Washington, D.C. "All of a sudden, out of nowhere, this big force of

"(Hawksley) was able to take advantage of our eclecticism and our desire for quality. And we could focus on his creativity."

Bob Hallett

paparazzi showed up," Hallett says. "Very surreal, but very funny."

Not to say the group isn't celebrated in the same way in its home country, where GBS are multi-platinum sellers, multi-East Coast Music Award winners, nine-time Juno nominees and a top concert draw.

And being hockey fans, it's surprising GBS hasn't been approached by the CBC to compose a new *Hockey Night In Canada* theme. "We once did submit a song for a segment of *Hockey Night In Canada* called *Play The Game*," Doyle says. "Who knows what happened to that?"

TV actors back new deal

The smaller of Hollywood's two performers unions have ratified a new prime-time TV contract, undermining a last-ditch bid by the larger, more militant Screen Actors Guild to secure a richer deal.

The labour pact with major studios covering 70,000 members of the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists won approval despite an unusual all-out campaign by SAG urging some 40,000 actors who belong to both unions to vote down the AFTRA accord.

"A majority of members ultimately focused on what mattered — the obvious merits of a labour

vote totals

More than 62 per cent of AFTRA members casting ballots voted in favor of the new contract, the union said.

agreement that contains substantial gains for every category of performer in both traditional and new media," AFTRA President Roberta Reardon said in a statement.

While AFTRA's margin of victory was substantially less than the 90 per cent range most Hollywood labour pacts attain for ratification, it was not immediately clear how much if

any real additional clout SAG would gain in pressing its demands.

SAG leaders had said a "no" vote on AFTRA would give them leverage to negotiate a more favorable settlement with studios for all actors under the larger deal covering 120,000 SAG members in both prime-time television and movies.

AFTRA countered that it secured the best terms possible without a strike, including higher basic wages and new reuse fees, or "residuals," for online content, and that defeat of its deal would lead to renewed Hollywood labor unrest.

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In brief

PEOPLE Group of Eight will have to make some tough decisions about its size and make-up or it will lose relevance, Irish rock star activist Bob Geldof said. Geldof, in northern Japan to lobby leaders on the sidelines of the G8 summit, said the number of countries invited to share views with the rich nations showed that the G8 could no longer act on its own. "The decisions can't be made by eight people in a small room any more because the rest of the world is developing and they need to contribute," Geldof said.

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Smashing Pumpkins plan 20th anniversary shows

MUSIC The Smashing Pumpkins will play a host of shows in the coming months to celebrate their 20th anniversary.

According to the group's website (smashingpumpkins.com), the Billy Corgan-fronted band will visit "mostly smaller-sized venues" during an August run featuring "unique sets and songs."

So far the only date an-



Corgan

nounced is Aug. 9 at the Venue in Hammond, Ind. Come November, the Pumpkins will do anniversary shows at bigger venues in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles and additional cities to be announced. Another run of dates focusing on the band's debut 1991 album, *Gish*, are on tap for early 2009, with cities to be announced.

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Last spring, Halifax comedy troupe Picnicface, which had a small, local following, posted a short video on YouTube about a fake energy drink called Powerthirst. The clip has since snowballed, racking up a whopping eight million hits and spawning a worldwide fan base. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



Has it been 20 years? From left, Lisa Butler, Kevin Higgins, Deanna Owens and Tricia Fougere participate in the Sackville High reunion.

Right: Jackie MacLeod (front) kicks off her weekend with friends (from left) Brandy Frame, Maggie Bakeeff and Kelly Clelland at the Lower Deck. Below: From left, Shaina White, Rebecca Rogers, and Glenna Brown step out at the Tap Room for the first Tap Into Progress.



Gabriel Iturriag and Leanne Pyke wrap up their work week at the Old Triangle.

It's summer in the city!

HalifaxScene

Jamie Paterson



Downtown was calling out to me this week with plenty to see and do! Halifax had a more cosmopolitan flavour than usual with so many international performers in town for the Royal Nova Scotia Tattoo. It was possible to travel the world just by walking down Argyle Street. The Tattoo parades were a great way to get a small taste of what the three-and-a-half-hour show had to offer. I loved the sounds of the steel drum band from Trinidad and Tobago. My spies tell me CTV's Liz

Rigney wowed audiences with her amazing voice this year. Tuesday night's finale wrapped up one of the most successful Tattoos yet. See you next year!

For a long time, the Molson Give-R has been a monthly Scene staple. The last Friday of every month Molson invites one and all to mingle, quaff a few cold ones and raise some money for a charity. The event was a week late this time around because of the odd mid-week celebration of Canada Day. That didn't stop anyone from arriving at the Split Crow this past Friday. Now, there's another networking opportunity to fill the FIRST Friday of every month! Tap Into Progress was held at the Tap Room, known as the Middle Deck in a previous life. Money raised goes to the Progress Club of Cana-

da and the work they do with underprivileged children, as well as the physically, mentally and socially handicapped in our community. I expect this will become a regular Scene haunt as well.

Downstairs, the Lower Deck was shoulder-to-

meeting informally before their big night. The main reunion was at Key Largo's Saturday night, a stone's throw from the old school where Bill Estabrooks ran a tight ship. Mr. Mason put his spin on history and Mr. MacAuley taught you everything you needed to

Summer is prime time for high school reunions, and Sackville High's Class of 1988 met informally before the official event.

shoulder, especially on the patio where groups were celebrating the sun. It was a quick visit as I had business elsewhere at the Old Triangle where longtime friends were catching up after 20 years.

Summertime is prime time for high school reunions, and Sackville High's Class of 1988 was

know about cells dividing in biology.

Thursday was a busy night for Premier Rodney MacDonald. Not only did he recognize the heroes of the recent forest fires at Cole Harbour Place, but it was also time to rosin up the bow and kick off the Maritime Fiddle Festival. This is the 59th year for the event, presented by The Rotary Club of Dartmouth East. Competitors come from far and wide to show off their skills and attend workshops. It culminated in a huge Cape Breton Kitchen Party at the Prince Andrew High School gym on Sunday night featuring Howie MacDonald.

Finally, it was way past my bedtime, but this year's Maxim Caddies were chosen at the Palace in the wee hours of Friday. The gals will take to the links during the Coors Light Maxim Golf Experience at Granite Springs next Tuesday. It's enough for me to want to buy a nine iron!

Jamie Patterson would love to make a deal to cover your event for The Scene. Just e-mail me at beatlejame@eastlink.ca.



Scotiabank employees (from left) Nova Kane, Kenzie Hatcher and Ameta Rantala have a girls night out at the Tap Room.



John Ogilvie (left), Lisa Gautreau and Joe Wagner take a break from the sun for a cold one inside the Lower Deck.



Rugby player Davin Moxsom hangs with Molson girls Lauren Snider (left) and Sandi McLean at the Split Crow Molson Give-R.



Workers from unnamed food establishment out on a pub crawl. (Front from left): Kellie Sheals, Kelly Spence, Jessica Pope; (rear from left): Emma McCully and Crystal Loughran.

CMT has ordered a second season of its hit series

My Big Redneck Wedding, as well as a holiday special starring comedian Larry the Cable Guy.

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Mad Men primed for Emmy win?

TELEVISION Something historic appears to be brewing in anticipation of the announcement of the nominees for the 60th annual Primetime Emmy Awards next Thursday. There is near-unanimous agreement that if ever cable drama series are going to get their rightful representation beyond just HBO, this is the year, what with acclaimed rookies like AMC's *Mad Men* and *Breaking Bad*, FX's *Damages*, and TNT's *Saving Grace* now in the mix along with Showtime's second-year pair *Dexter* and *The Tudors*. Not that there is necessarily any sort of tie-in between the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences and the Hollywood Foreign Press Association, but the latter already chose four cable shows among the six nominees for best drama at the Golden Globes in January. Moreover, one of them, *Mad Men*, won.

And now *Mad Men* creator/executive producer Matthew Weiner dares to dream of Emmy glory as well.

"It would be especially sweet because with this show I was able to do exactly what I wanted to do. And the 'Mad Men' idea was hardly a natural sell. I mean, a New York ad agency in the early 1960s? And then I was able to hire people for the cast who weren't famous. It's all worked out perfectly."

Rushdie favourite for Best of Booker

LITERATURE Salman Rushdie is the hot favourite to win the Best of the Booker award Thursday, which marks the 40th anniversary of one of the world's most coveted literary prizes. The British author, whose 1988 novel *The Satanic Verses* angered many Muslims and prompted death threats against him, was the overwhelming front-runner with *Midnight's Children*, which won the Booker Prize in 1981. *Midnight's Children*, an example of Rushdie's magical realist style, follows Saleem Sinai who is born on the stroke of midnight on the day of India's independence in 1947 and whose life loosely parallels the fortunes of his nascent country. Rushdie was up against Pat Barker (*The Ghost Road*), Peter Carey (*Oscar and Lucinda*), Coetzee (*Disgrace*), J.G. Farrell (*The Siege of Krishnapur*) and Gordimer (*The Conservationist*).

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The first death rattle of TV as we know it?

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SMALL SCREEN GETS SMALLER:

It probably won't change the fact that his shows are about as funny as swimsuit chafing, but Family Guy creator Seth MacFarlane is launching his latest animated venture online this fall, with a series of 50 2-minute episodes of

Seth MacFarlane's Cavalcade Of Cartoon Comedy, according to a Hollywood Reporter story.

What perplexes the Reporter is that MacFarlane's show will be hitting the internet through a deal he's made with Google, mere months after the May deal he made with Fox for US\$100 million. Fox, you see, owns MySpace, and while the social networking site might not be as big as Google, it's surprising that the Rupert Murdoch's network would let a potentially lucrative online venture slip through

their fingers in negotiations.

"Either MacFarlane's reps wanted to add too many zeroes to the deal to attach an Internet component," the Reporter story speculated, "or Fox didn't feel there were enough zeroes in ad revenue from such a deal to care. The latter seems much less likely."

MacFarlane can't write a non-gag-based joke to save his life, but his lawyers are obviously real monsters if they could protect the Google deal — which has apparently been in the works for a year — from Fox's legal team during negotiations.

In any case, it seems that it was MacFarlane who had the leverage when Fox came to talk money, not the other way around.

There are no details on the Google webisodes — who cares, really? — except that they probably won't involve any characters from Family Guy or American Dad, given intellectual property restrictions inherent in

any deal MacFarlane signed with Fox.

What's really interesting is that MacFarlane is obviously sure that going online with a new show is going to be more lucrative in the long run than putting it out on primetime. That sound

awesome" in terms of revelations.

"The average American spent 127 hours of time with TV in May," reported the Times, "up from 121 hours in May 2007; and 26 hours on the Internet, up from 24 hours last year. More than 282



FILE UNDER 'DUH': A new Nielsen study reports that people are spending more time watching video content on either their TV or computer screen, according to a New York Times story. I'm sure most of you are wondering how much Nielsen spent reaching that earth-shattering news, which ranks up there with "gas is expensive" and "pizza is

million people watch television in a given month and nearly 162 million use the Internet."

Hearing definitively that computers and mobile devices are measurable mediums for TV watching will probably have reverberations for advertisers, and prompt some flop sweat in network executive offices, but once again, there's nothing here that violates either common sense or historical inevitability.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.



Seth MacFarlane's lucrative new Google webcast won't likely involve any of his characters from Family Guy, above.

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	32	32	32	CBS	News (N)	CBS News	Insider	Entertain	American Dog	CSI: Crime Scn	Swingtown	
	69	69	69	CFTM	TVA 18h	Sucr-salé	Les Gags	Un Chef de rayon explosif (1963)	Héros "Le Remède"	TVA 22h		
	6	6	6	CHIF	Entertain	ET	Swingtown (N)	Last Comic Standing (N)	You Can Dance	News (N)		
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	36	36	36	FOX	Simpsons	King-Hill	Two Men	Two Men	You Smarter?	You Can Dance	Fox First	
prime time	12	12	12	NBC	News (N)	NBC News	Hollywood	Extra (N)	Last Comic Standing	Last Comic Standing (N)		
	29	29	29	NW	BBC News	Business	News (N)	Our World	The Hour (N)	National	Nature	
	4	4	4	PBS-B	News-Lehrer		Boston	Basic B	The War of the World	The Jewish Americans		
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	23	23	23	BNN	Stars	Business News	Market	Legal	Sml Caps	Squeeze Play	Market	
	18	18	18	CNN	The Situation Room		Lou Dobbs Tonight	CNN Election Center	Larry King Live	Cooper		
	54	54	54	GOLF	Post	European PGA Tour Golf: Scottish Open		PGA Tour Golf: John Deere Classic				
	52	52	52	RSE	Prime Time Sports		MLB Baseball Baltimore Orioles at Toronto Blue Jays					
	55	55	55	SCOR	Drive This	Game On	Schwab	Poker Aussie Millions	Can Poker			
sports	45	45	45	SPD	NASCAR	Go or Go	Pinks	Pass Time	Pontiac	NASCAR Racing: Sprint Cup Qualifying		
	53	53	53	TSN	Off-Record	Sports	CFL Football Calgary Stampeders at Montreal Alouettes					
	43	43	43	FAM	Zoey 101	Life Derek	So Raven	Smart Guy	Suite Life	Sadie	Montana	Life Derek
	44	44	44	TOON	6teen	Johnny T	George	Melodies	Loonatics	6teen	Total Dra	Futurama
	26	26	26	THEE	Fill	Backyard	Ni Hao	Night Grdn	Wiggles	Franklin	Little Bear	Spider
	27	27	27	YTV	Drake	H2O Just	Malcolm	Prank Ptri	Fries	Futurama	Prank Ptri	Mystery
	16	16	16	A&E	Cold Case Files		CSI: Miami		The First 48		The First 48	First 48
	70	70	70	APTN	First Talk	News	Legends	Spirit	Canadian Geographic	Adoption		The Mix
	50	50	50	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10	Live	The Boot		Blk Carpet	Baldwin	Leprechaun: Back 2 the Hood	
	37	37	37	BRVO	Street Legal		Spirit	In Mind	The Man in the Iron Mask ** (1998, Adventure)			
family	60	60	60	CLT	Help TV		The West Wing		Diamond Girl (1998, Romance)			Traders
	25	25	25	CMT	Ultimate "Canadian"				Beyond Chance	Reba	Hope	Home Imp.
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	38	38	38	DISC	How-Made	How-Made	Daily Planet (N)		Dust to Glory ** (2005, Documentary)			MythBust
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cable variety	48	23	23	OLN	Don't Forget		Departures		Cycling Tour de France Stage 6. (N)			
	51	51	51	PTC	Friends	Seinfeld	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Air Force One *** (1997, Suspense) Harrison Ford.			
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	39	39	39	SHOW	Trailer		ReGenesis		Intelligence	G-Spot	Exes HD	Diary
	40	40	40	SLICE	Three Takes		End Leash	Debt Part	Rich-Poor Bride	Last 10	Brides	Loser
	47	47	47	SPACE	Relic Hunter		Stargate SG-1		Star Trek: Voyager	The Lost Room		
	14	14	14	SPICE	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn	TNA IMPACT! (N)		
	97	97	97	STAR	At Movies	Star Treat	eTalk	Hollywood	eTalk	Katie & Peter		Tonight
	21	21	21	TLC	What Not to Wear		LA Ink (HDV)		Garage	Garage	American Chopper	Miami Ink
cable variety	56	34	34	TROU	Vanity		Inside Hollywood		ET	What	Fam. Guy	Seinfeld
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	28	28	28	V	Emily of New Moon		Murder, She Wrote		May-Dec.	Keep Up	Oscar and Lucinda (1997)	
	22	22	22	W	Shopping	House	Will-Grace	Friends	Divine	House	Colour	House
	251	251	251	WGN	My Wife	Jim	Two Men	Fam. Guy	Smallville	Supernatural		News

critics' corner

December Boys

Notin' like watching orphans fight for a decent life and knowing some of them will fail and be in an institution until adulthood. In this 2007 drama based on Michael Noonan's novel, four parentless best friends risk their friendship to each be the one adopted by a couple. Daniel Radcliffe, Lee Cormie, James Fraser, Christian Byers and Teresa Palmer star, with Max Cullen narrating. 10 PM on M1



Swingtown

The title of this new episode is "Friends With Benefits," not a term in common use in the 1970s, although the concept certainly existed. The episode finds Tom (Grant Show) feeling pangs of jealousy when Trina (Lana Parrilla) reconnects with her high-school honey, while Janet (Miriam Shor) makes a big impression on the Ladies Auxiliary, even though it's Susan (Molly Parker) who wants the group's approval. 8 PM on CHIF; 11 PM on CBS

My Life and a Movie

Turns out the title is rather self-explanatory. Comedian Jeremy Hotz stars as, well, himself in this new series. While subjecting viewers to his collection of really bad films, he flashes back to bizarre points in his life. In the opener, Jeremy is forced to face his fear of smothering when his psychiatrist encourages him to date a well-endowed woman. 9 PM on CBC

Greatest American Dog

Tyra Banks would probably object if this new series were called "America's Next Top Dog." But that's its premise: a competition for canines in which they and their owners live together and undergo a series of challenges, with a \$250,000 prize awaiting the winner. The premiere introduces the 12 dogs, who range from a perky Pomeranian to a giant schnauzer, and their owners, an equally diverse bunch. 9 PM on CBS

Spice Girl star Melanie Brown wants more children with husband Stephen Belafonte — and may have 11 more if he gets his way. “We plan to have some more kids,” she says. “He says he wants 12 or 13.” **METRO**

Celebrity Buzz

Jolie pics were fake

SPECIAL WINDOWS Don't expect to catch any glimpses of Angelina Jolie in her hospital room.

The hospital in Nice, France, where Jolie, 33, is staying as she awaits the birth of her twins has coated the windows of her room with special insulating material that cameras cannot see through, various news sources report. The news comes after several photographs — allegedly of Jolie and Brad Pitt — have surfaced.

“It is impossible to see into Mr. Brad Pitt and Mrs. Angelina Jolie's room,” a rep for the Fondation L'Enfant hospital said in a statement. “So any pictures released are either

posed fakes set up by paparazzi or they are pictures of other patients. We hope this is clearly understood out of respect for all patients in this clinic.”

This week, Pitt was spotted arriving at the hospital, where he visited Jolie, who is staying in a four-room suite overlooking the Mediterranean.

Pitt has been a frequent visitor, bringing the couple's daughters, Shiloh, 2, and Zahara, 3, along. On Saturday the actress' brother James Haven also visited.

Jolie is undergoing observation and is expected to give birth anytime “in the next weeks,” her obstetrician said.

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Amy in more fisticuffs

PUB ATTACK As the sentencing of her husband, Blake Fielder-Civil, nears, Amy Winehouse has been accused of lashing out at a stranger — for the third time in two weeks, various media outlets report.

In the most recent altercation, she reportedly punched a fellow drinker at Camden's Dublin Castle pub in what was claimed was an unprovoked attack.

“She was in front of me at the bar and suddenly turned and walloped me three times across the face,” Wayne Lindsay, 29, told Britain's Daily Mirror. “I couldn't believe it. I hadn't said a word to her or touched her.”

A source close to the singer tells *People.com* that Winehouse merely reacted because someone grabbed her from behind — and that her security then stepped in.

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Fan saves Pearl Jam photos

LOST AND FOUND A Pearl Jam fan came to the rescue of frontman Eddie Vedder in New York last week after the rocker's girlfriend left an iPhone full of personal photos on the back seat of a cab, *imdb.com* reports. The devotee was quick to return the item when Vedder called it. He was rewarded well by the rocker.

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celebrity brief

Mayer 'hooked up' with a fan

NAMELESS John Mayer might be keeping mum about his current steamy relationship with Jennifer Aniston, but the soulful singer opened up recently night about a past relationship — with a nameless fan, *people.com* reports. During an intimate performance at the Z100 Lounge at New York City's Spotlight Live nightclub for radio station Z100, Mayer was asked by a concertgoer if he had ever “hooked up” with

a fan from a performance. Mayer responded, “Do you respect my honesty? Yes, I have.”

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Cook fights dog poop eviction

CLEANUP Comedian Dane Cook is relying on a jury to clear him of allegations that the star allows his pet dog to defecate on the land surrounding his Los Angeles home, *IMDb.com* reports. The Good Luck Chuck star is facing eviction from the West Hollywood apartment after allegedly ignoring three warnings from the building's owner about his chihuahua's dog poop.

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celebrity brief

'Birth was surreal,' Jamie-Lynn says

BABY Giving birth was a “surreal” and “amazing” experience for teenage new mother Jamie Lynn Spears, *imdb.com* reports. She says, “The first time I saw her, it was surreal. You can't even imagine that moment. She just looked at me, and she really didn't cry at first. I was scared, and then she started screaming. It is the best feeling in the world.”

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Barrymore's denial

SPLIT Actress Drew Barrymore has denied claims she withheld news of her split from boyfriend Justin Long from *People Magazine* because it published unflattering pictures of her, *imdb.com* reports.

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No tattoos: Kilmer

INK Val Kilmer was put off ever getting a tattoo by the thought of wearing the same dirty T-shirt forever, a comparison of his made when he was only 14 years old. *METRO NEWS SERVICES*



Brinkley urged to undergo anger-management therapy

SCANDAL Christie Brinkley should undergo psychiatric therapy to deal with her anger at estranged husband Peter Cook, according to a court-appointed psychiatrist, *imdb.com* reports.

Dr. Stephen Herman took the stand in New York recently at the pair's ongoing divorce trial, where he advised the former supermodel take sole custody of the pair's two sons.

But Herman was also adamant Brinkley seek therapy as “an outlet for her anger and feeling of

betrayal” to deal with the pain of her four failed marriages.

Herman testified: “She needs to start working on therapy issues related to her parenting, maybe her choice in male figures with whom to get involved, certain motivations she has herself that can get her into trouble.”

Brinkley later agreed to seek professional help when it was her turn on the stand.

She testified, “I would do whatever it takes.”

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Blair wants to rid self of odd rep

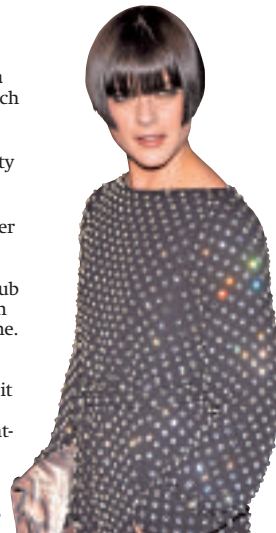
STEREOTYPE Actress Selma Blair is determined to ditch her oddball Hollywood stereotype — so she can star in a film as “the pretty girl.”

The *Hellboy* star fears she has been typecast after taking on a number of quirky roles, including massive-breasted nightclub dancer Caprice Stickles in 2004 movie *A Dirty Shame*.

The 36-year-old insists she has a glamorous side and is desperate to show it off to casting directors.

Blair says, “I really wanted to be the pretty girl — glamorous, sweet, pretty and sexy.”

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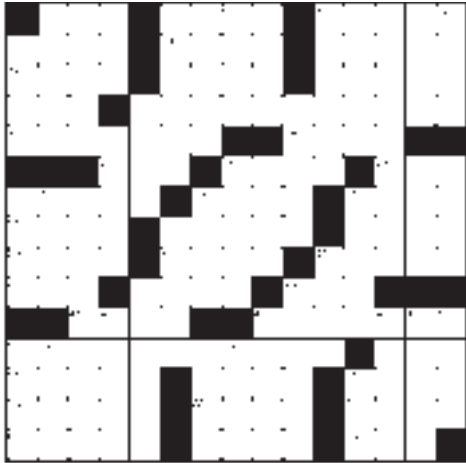


Ali's no Miley

Fourteen-year-old Ali Lohan says the sound of her upcoming album is different from fellow teen star Miley Cyrus: "She's really good," Ali tells People Magazine. "But I have different music than her. It's a different vibe. Mine is more hip-hop. Kind of like Rihanna." **METRO**



Take Five



Crossword across

- 1 Sauna locale
- 4 Off-road vehicles
- 8 Ecological hazard
- 13 Bump on a frog
- 14 Available
- 15 Drop syllables
- 16 Jacques' girl
- 17 Not easily found
- 18 Basketball move
- 19 Part of UCLA
- 20 Hard candy
- 22 Fuel for illumination (2 wds.)
- 24 Jetty
- 25 Terhune collie
- 26 Yell insults
- 28 Opal or moonstone
- 31 Little Richard's town
- 34 Give off vapors
- 35 Diet
- 36 Like powdery residue

- 37 Payday extra
- 38 Tolstoy heroine
- 39 Knights' titles
- 40 Movie workplaces
- 41 Eye or ear
- 42 Make bales
- 43 Bread for a gyro
- 44 Cul-de- —
- 45 Yul's film realm
- 47 Froths
- 51 Health food (2 wds.)
- 55 — chi ch'uan
- 56 Wheel parts
- 57 Proficient
- 58 Search for
- 59 Tall peak
- 60 Bath decor
- 61 Perimeter
- 62 Throws a party
- 63 Club, briefly
- 64 Maiden-name indicator

Crossword down

- 1 Mead's island
- 2 Chandelier pendant
- 3 Had lunch
- 4 Chicken
- 5 Fishing net
- 6 Is or was
- 7 Tea-leaves reader
- 8 Garage job
- 9 Identical
- 10 Forking off
- 11 Bloodhound's clue
- 12 Hockey goals
- 13 Partition
- 20 Rivers or Fontaine
- 21 Fencing needs
- 23 Clever ruses
- 26 Coup plotters
- 27 Ostrich kin
- 29 Noted volcano
- 30 Stingy

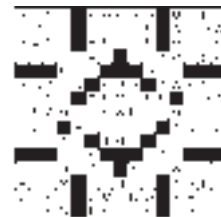
- 31 Fix potatoes
- 32 Mongolia's locale
- 33 Pupa
- 34 Sock filler
- 35 Pine cousin
- 37 Dirigible
- 41 Horse feed
- 43 Pulls ahead of
- 44 Lustrous fabric
- 46 Unmoving
- 47 Breaks in the action
- 48 Piano exercise
- 49 Grazing land
- 50 Venue
- 51 Wingding
- 52 World's fair
- 53 Pro — (in proportion)
- 54 Kimono closers
- 58 Egg producer

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previous day's answer



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This day in history

JULY 10, 988: The City of Dublin is founded on the banks of the river Liffey.
JULY 10, 1212: The most severe of several early fires of London burns most of the city to the ground.
JULY 10, 1913: Death Valley, California hits 134 °F (about 56 °C), which is the highest temperature recorded in the United States.
JULY 10, 1958: In Alaska the highest tsunami wave ever recorded at Lituya Bay, at 524 metres high.



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Horoscopes

AVATAR VENUS

ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20

Keep your love blazing in spite of tension. Desperate acts will confuse you. Emergency measures must be taken.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21

Flabbiness calls for action. Vanity interferes with getting what you want. A co-worker wants to walk off the job.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21

Watch out for fire engines. A love interest sparks your mischief. Express respect for an elder's solid values.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22

Be prepared to come to someone's rescue. Misery loves company, but you may not. You have to demand action from somebody.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23

Get straight to the point with an authority figure. An older person makes unreasonable demands. Visit a person who has peculiar notions.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22

Increase your credibility if you wish to avoid shame. Analyze a wild romantic who is destitute. A stupendous bore talks about profits.

LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23

Pay attention to someone with a grievance. Travelling will have twists and turns. Sharing expenses will help develop harmony.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22

A mystic has enlightenment to distribute. You'll be aware of potent silences. Avoid being cynical about a friend's happiness.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21

A goofy guy is a guardian angel. Be empathetic with someone who has failed. A self-induced crisis is looming.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20

Your patience will be rewarded in due time. Nonsense has some people bothered. Someone just wants to have a fight.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18

You must improvise in order to fix things. You'll get great bargains. Activity will increase by day's end.

PISCES

FEB 19-MAR 20

Don't make assumptions or you'll look silly. Have a comfort session with a friend. Menial domestic chores will be too thrilling.

Sudoku

INSTRUCTIONS:

The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

previous day's answer

1	9	7	2	3	8	6	4	5
2	6	4	7	1	5	3	8	9
8	5	3	4	9	6	1	2	7
9	4	8	6	5	7	2	3	1
5	1	6	3	4	2	9	7	8
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4	3	9	8	2	1	7	5	6
7	2	5	9	6	4	8	1	3
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SOLVE TIME IN MINUTES:

Under 13 Genius
13-17 Scholar
17-21 Smart

21-25 Not bad
25+ Keep practicing

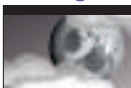
Halifax weather

Afternoon



40%
Showers.
23°

Tonight



Partly cloudy.
16°

Friday



Partly cloudy.
24° / 15°

Saturday



Sunny.
25° / 14°



Variable.
24° / 16°



Temperature

Normals

High: 21.8°

Low: 13°

Records

High: 31.1°/1944

Low: 9.4°/1946

Sunrise: 5:38 a.m.

Sunset: 8:58 p.m.

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Moonrise: 2:22 p.m.

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